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Subject: Craft-Turney WSC, South Cherokee County, Texas

All - I need an update this morning as soon as possible. Who is the lead? Also, I will need updates over the weekend. Here is my rough draft.
David

Craft-Turney WSC, South Cherokee County, Texas
update

We continue to assist with TCEQ on a public water supply contamination issue.

TCEQ learned that the product is a type of commercial fungicide . MSDS sheets have been provided to the TCEQ Toxicology which are under review. The TCEQ is coordinating with the WSC on a sampling plan. Sampling will begin on October 4, 2018.

Background

Craft-Turney WSC, located in South Cherokee County, South of Jacksonville, issued a Do Not Use order 10/3/18, on 16 connections related to a back siphonage event at Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

On 9/29/18 the water system repaired a water line break.

On 10/01/18 the water system received complaints of water quality including burning or irritated skin after exposure to the water. The water system believes a back siphonage may have occurred during the line break repair. Samples were collected and the system is waiting on the lab results.

TCEQ determined a tank containing a wood preservative, for treating wood pallets did not have a backflow prevention device.

Early reports that the fungicide was part of the PFAS family of chemicals is incorrect.

Texas has issued do not drink water order and a sampling plan to test the drinking water system.

TCEQ has requested EPA Assistance with developing a method for MBT (methylene bis-thiocyanate), so they can make a declaration about the absence/presence of it in the Drinking Water before lifting the do not use order.

Approximately 1,500 hundred now under bottled water restrictions.

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